

REBELS MAKE DETERMINED ATTACKS

Desperate Fighting Reported at Nuevo Laredo and Ojinaga with Large Casualty Lists—Constitutionalists Try to Surprise Mexican City, But Fail to Capture It and Battle Continues.

MANY ARE REPORTED KILLED AND WOUNDED

Fugitives from Federal Forces Who Are Wounded Cared for by Americans and Others Disarmed—United States Troops Will Preserve Neutrality Laws Under All Circumstances.

LAREDO, Texas, January 2.—(By Associated Press Cable) —

The Constitutional forces which were reported marching to the attack of Nuevo Laredo, the Mexican city opposite here, across the Rio Grande River, made an effort to surprise the garrison of 1200 federals, but have met with a steady resistance.

The battle continued during the afternoon and early last evening and will probably be resumed this morning. The rebels have cut off the city from the surrounding country and captured the railway, strengthening themselves in their positions. It is stated that the rebels number about 4500 men, but that many of them are poorly armed.

The report last evening was that 300 men had been killed during the fighting yesterday and several hundred wounded. A number of the latter have made their way to this city from across the boundary and are being cared for.

A strong force of United States troops is stationed on this side of the boundary, ready for any emergency.

ENVOY LIND WILL GIVE PRESIDENT SOME TIPS

PASS CHRISTIAN, Mississippi, January 2.—(By Associated Press Cable)—Special Envoy Lind arrived here yesterday evening from Vera Cruz, Mexico, and will confer with President Wilson later today upon the situation in that Republic. It is believed that he will make certain recommendations for the consideration of the President.

NEW FOREIGN MINISTER NEGOTIATING FOR LON

CITY OF MEXICO, January 2.—(By Associated Press Cable)—Senor Querido Moheno, the new minister of foreign affairs for Mexico, has assumed full control of the foreign office and is pushing negotiations with a British syndicate, according to a semi-official statement yesterday, for a large loan on behalf of the Huerta government.

BLOODY BATTLE RESULTS IN ADVANTAGE FOR REBELS

PRESIDIO, Texas, January 1.—(By Associated Press Cable)—Scenes of blood and carnage around Ojinaga, unpreceded in the history of Mexico's recent close fighting, were witnessed today by thousands of spectators on the American side of the river as the rebel forces under Gen. Yancho Villa and General Ortega steadily drove the shattered federal forces to destruction. Hundreds of the federals, hard-pressed by the enemy and fearing instant execution, plunged into the river and made their way to the American side. Scores of those who tried to cross were wounded. They arrived on the American side begging for relief.

Reporters from the rebel army who crossed to the American side were disarmed by the United States soldiers, refusing out orders to preserve strict neutrality.

The surrender of the entire garrison to the American troops is momentarily

One of the Terrible Tragedies of the Cruel Warfare in Mexico



Execution of a Captured Officer, Who Faces the Firing Squad Unbound and Not Blindfolded—A Common Scene at This Time in Northern Mexico.

New Year's Day Observed in True Honolulu Spirit

Business Suspended and Everybody, Irrespective of Nationality, Celebrates—National Guard Officers Call on General Funston—Y. M. C. A. Keeps Open House.



General Funston, New head of the Department of Foreign Affairs for Mexico.

With a perfect day to start the New Year of 1914, the people of Honolulu yesterday celebrated its advent with their usual enthusiasm, irrespective of nationality. In fact the Chinese residents of the city were more in public evidence than those who contented themselves with less display. But the Japanese, Portuguese and other whites also observed it with the usual customs here. A feature of the day was the great number of automobile parties which took advantage of the fine weather.

Practically all business was suspended and nearly all the stores were closed in the oriental quarter of the city yesterday, although some of them opened in the afternoon. The main point of interest among the Chinese, however, was the annual New Year's reception at the headquarters of the United Chinese Societies, on King near Nuuanu street.

Although this society is divided into two factions over the recent election and the case has been carried to the circuit court, all was harmony at headquarters yesterday. The main point of interest among the Chinese, however, was the annual New Year's reception at the headquarters of the United Chinese Societies, on King near Nuuanu street.

New Year's Calls General

During the day and especially last evening, acquaintances paid mutual calls, the men of the family, dressed in their best, calling upon the women folks of their friends, greeted in each place with "Konohi fat choy," with sweetmeats and nuts and tea in unlimited quantities.

Among the Japanese also the custom of New Year calls was followed, and at the residence of the Japanese vice consul, Hashimoto Arita, the vice consul and Mrs. Arita and the staff of the consulate, received all callers from ten to half-past eleven o'clock.

General Funston Interested

At nine o'clock yesterday morning the officers of the National Guard of Hawaii paid their respects to Brigadier General Funston, commander of the Hawaiian Department. The gathering was in the lobby of the Young Hotel, where General Funston and his aide, First Lieut. W. G. Ball, greeted the callers, all of whom were in white uniforms and side arms.

General Funston made a little talk to the National Guard officers present, stating that although there is a general idea in some quarters that the national guard and regular army do not work well together, this is a mistake, for the regular army realizes that the backbone of the defense of the country in time of war must be the National Guard and able to take the field before volunteer forces could be organized. And especially, he said, was this true in the case of Hawaii.

General Funston expressed the wish that he could remain here to see the development of the National Guard of Hawaii, as he takes a keen interest in its well-being, and in time of trouble it would be operations.

Officers Pay Respects

Col. J. W. Jones, adjutant general of the guard, replied for the officers, thanking General Funston for his interest in

the guard and for what he had done for it here.

Accompanied by Lieut. A. L. Bump, U. S. A., the following officers of the Hawaiian Department called on General Funston: Col. J. W. Jones, Col. C. W. Zeigler, Lieut. Col. J. W. Short, Lieut. Col. F. H. Bailey, Maj. Gustave Rose, Capt. M. M. Johnson, Capt. T. B. Cummins, Capt. J. A. Thompson, Capt. Sam Kellious, Capt. J. M. Camara, Capt. John W. Cook, Capt. Benjamin Kane, Capt. H. P. O'Sullivan, Capt. A. E. Neely, Capt. Walter V. Kobb, Capt. Laurence Wellington, Lieut. William Abba, Lieut. Henry Van Gieson, Lieut. Louis Kane, Lieut. George B. Schrader, Lieut. Isaac Lockett, Lieut. John Hilo, Lieut. R. W. Warham, Lieut. L. R. Adeleros.

Many Entertainments

Last evening there were many entertainments in all parts of the city, but the principal one was that given by the Young Men's Christian Association in its fine building. This was thrown open to members and their friends, including women, from five o'clock in the afternoon until after ten o'clock last night. The place was thronged and an exceedingly pleasant time was experienced.

In the lobby of the building was a Hawaiian orchestra which played and sang. The safe was thrown open and an extended menu was served during the dinner hour, while later light refreshments were served to all guests. The bowling alleys, gymnasium and billiard rooms were open to all and many women and girls rolled their first game of bowls during the evening.

Shortly after eight o'clock the program of entertainment for the evening opened in games hall, where seats had been placed for four hundred and fifty guests, and the hall was well filled. The program as printed was slightly changed, but complete as a whole. General Secretary Sumner announced the proceedings with a pleasant talk and wished everybody a "Happy New Year."

An Excellent Program

There was music and singing by the Kaunapali quartette, consisting of George A. Andrews, James D. French, Chester G. Livingston and Earle G. Bartlett. Mrs. Robbins B. Anderson sang some Neapolitan folk songs and was encored twice, and Mrs. A. B. Ingalls gave a number of violin solos, which were appreciated. Mr. Ingalls was the accompanist.

A large curtain had been hung at the middle end of the large hall and upon this screen were thrown the beautiful pictures illustrating the lecture of Capt. George Stenning, U. S. A., upon Naples and Pompeii. This lecture was one of the features of the New Year's entertainment and open house of the Y. M. C. A., and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who heard and saw it.

And thus for the last time in the history of the world the first day of 1914 passed away in Honolulu with general good wishes among everybody for a prosperous year and the universal sentiment of "Konohi fat choy."

FLIES TO JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, Syria, January 1.—(By Associated Press Cable)—Flying from Paris in successive stages, Aviator Bonnier landed his aeroplane on the edge of the Pool of Siloam, noted in Biblical history, on New Year's Eve. The natives marveled at his coming.

BOUND TO HAVE THAT DRYDOCK

Senate Naval Affairs Committee Considering Great Pearl Harbor Improvement.

By Ernest G. Walker.

(Mail Special to The Advertiser.)

WASHINGTON, December 18.—The house naval affairs committee is giving serious consideration to the question of a drydock for Pearl Harbor. The report by Engineer Alfred Noble has been sent to the committee. The text was forwarded to him at the Capitol a few days ago, and after scrutinizing it with some care Mr. Padgett had a conference at the navy department about it. The text of the report has not yet been made public and there is no immediate indication that it will be.

One thing stands out as quite certain—that this session of congress will make an appropriation for a drydock at Pearl Harbor. Two arguments run that there is great necessity for such a dock, and whatever the expense thereof the government must have it. There has been spent about \$10,000,000 for the naval station at Pearl Harbor, but the value of this expenditure to the navy will be greatly diminished unless there is a drydock.

Another question, however, is being considered. That is the liability of the contractors for the construction of the drydock which collapsed. Chairman Padgett is unwilling to take the responsibility of asking congress for more money, unless the status of the former enterprise is very definitely fixed. It is upon Chairman Padgett's insistence, chiefly, that the question of the contractor's liability has been turned over to the department of justice for a legal opinion. Some nice points of law are involved.

Chairman Padgett believes, when the matter of additional appropriations for the Pearl Harbor drydock comes up in the house, inquisitive members will have many questions to ask, and some will demand that the contractor be held strictly to terms. Whatever the chairman's opinion about that may be, he wishes to be enforced by an opinion from the attorney general as the government's chief law officer.

Governor Pinkham having departed and Delegate Kubie not having arrived in Washington, there is much quiet at the Capitol in Hawaiian affairs. The rapid transit extension bill is still pending before a subcommittee of the house committee on territories, and probably will be there for some days. Ex-Governor Peary is expected to submit to the subcommittee in a few days a plan for consideration by its members.

MEXICAN BANDIT TO BE HUNTED DOWN

BINGHAM, Idaho, January 2.—(By Associated Press Cable)—The hunt by posse of armed men led by deputy sheriffs for Jose Lopez, the Mexican bandit, who killed two deputy sheriffs and is credited with other murders near here, will be resumed tomorrow, following the Christmas festival season. Lopez was reported to have taken refuge in an abandoned mine, which was pumped full of poisonous fumes, but he is believed to have escaped. It is hoped that he will be captured or killed, as he has stated he will fight to the death.

DEMAND WORK WITH GOOD PAY

Small Army of Unemployed Men Besiege Home of Governor Johnson, Who Is Out.

SAN FRANCISCO, January 2.—(By Associated Press Cable)—Such scenes as have not been witnessed here for fifteen years took place yesterday when 1000 men out of employment gathered in front of the residence of Governor William Johnson on Russian Hill, for the purpose of making demands for assistance, and to ask what his intentions in this respect are.

Governor Johnson was away from home at the time and after waiting about for three hours a committee of the men drew up a note which was left at his house for him.

This note makes a request that the Governor appear before them this morning when they again assemble and answer plainly their demands for work for six days a week, for eight hours a day and pay at the rate of three dollars a day.

REGIMENT NOW TWO BATTALIONS

Official Orders Reduce Status of N. G. H., and Regimental Officers Retired.

Official orders were issued yesterday by Adjutant General Jones, N. G. H., by which the First Regiment organization is dissolved and in its place two battalions and three separate companies are formed, and all because of the lack of fourteen recruits for the third recruit company, Capt. Paul Super. The separate companies are at Lahaina and Waikuku, Maui, and Hilo, Hawaii.

By these orders Col. Arthur Corne, as mentioned in The Advertiser yesterday, as well as the other regimental officers, are placed on the retired list, other officers reduced in rank and two or three promotions made. The new Quartermaster Corps takes the place of the old quartermaster, subsistence and pay departments.

However, as Colonel Jones explained yesterday, there is still hope that the regimental formation will soon be resumed, when the necessary twelve companies are recruited up to the required minimum strength. Eleven of these companies already exceed the required number of men; in fact, there are more men in the National Guard of Hawaii than is necessary to form a full regiment, but one company has not enough, and that throws out of gear the entire militia organization for the time being.

The division of militia affairs of the war department is reorganizing the citizen forces of the country, and the federal government is extending much help. The local national guard now receives at the rate of \$4.50 for each man in the guard more than it did a year ago, on December 31, 1912.

Lieut. A. L. Bump, U. S. A., secretary of militia, will begin the training of the recruits in Captain Sweet's company in the new armory at half-past seven o'clock next Wednesday evening.

The orders issued by Adj. Gen. J. W. Jones yesterday are as follows:

Territory of Hawaii,  
The Adjutant General's Office,  
Honolulu, January 1st, 1914.

General Orders No. 1.  
The following changes in the organization of the National Guard of Hawaii, in conformity with the provisions of circular No. 8, division of militia affairs, August 1, 1913, are announced for the information and guidance of all concerned:

General Staff Departments.

Charles W. Ziegler, major, inspector general's department, with the brevet rank of colonel.

Emil C. Peters, major, judge advocate general's department.

John W. Short, major, quartermaster corps, with the brevet rank of lieutenant colonel.

Marie M. Johnson, captain, quartermaster corps.

Arthur W. Neely, captain, quartermaster corps.

Charles B. Cooper, major, medical department, with the brevet rank of lieutenant colonel.

William L. Moore, captain, medical department, with the brevet rank of major.

Elmer T. Winant, major, ordnance department.

Line Officers.

William R. Riley, major First Infantry, with the brevet rank of lieutenant colonel.

James E. Thompson, captain, unassigned.

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BANDITS OF THE SEA

LOS ANGELES, January 1.—(By Associated Press Cable to Star-Bulletin)—

GREAT STORM HITS SOUTH COAST

Sweeps Down from North and Strikes Los Angeles County Shore, Carrying Away Three Hundred Feet of Million Dollar Standard Oil Company's Pier and Doing Considerable Other Damage.

SANTA MONICA AND VENICE ALSO SUFFER

Beaches and Walks Washed Away and Buildings Threatened by Tremendous Waves, Which Damage Piers and Resorts Along the Southern Coast Below Long Beach.

LOS ANGELES, January 2.—

(By Associated Press Cable) — Tremendous damage along the waterfront of Los Angeles county has followed the fierce northern storm which swept down the coast yesterday and struck with especial force upon Santa Monica Bay and its thriving towns and coast resorts.

Over three hundred feet of the great pier at El Segundo, near Redondo beach, was destroyed. The pier had recently been completed by the Standard Oil Company, at a cost of over a million dollars, to ship its oil cargoes from the immense storage tanks at El Segundo. It will be months before the pier is again in shape to receive tank steamers.

At Venice the storm drove the heavy surf over the low beach and washed out sidewalks and booths, tearing away great stretches of the fine sandy beach. The horse-shoe pier was also considerably damaged and some damage was done to buildings close to the shore.

North of Venice the city of Santa Monica was protected from the waves by the high bluff, but the beach along the foot of the bluff was badly washed out and in some spots it is feared that the bluff may cave-in, carrying with it some of the smaller houses along its margin. The big cement pier there has weathered the storm without severe damage. Two years ago it was almost destroyed by a storm, but was rebuilt last summer, of reinforced concrete, at a cost of over \$200,000.

Along the south coast of the country, from Long Beach to Balboa, reports have been made of damage to piers and to the beaches. The little town of Naples, south of Long Beach, is one of the sufferers. Very little damage was done at San Pedro, where the new government breakwater, costing millions, was recently completed.

WORST OF STORM BELIEVED TO BE OVER IN NORTH

SACRAMENTO, California, January 2.—(By Associated Press Cable)—Hope is growing here that the worst of the storm damage is over, as the rain and sleet in the northern part of the State have abated, the storm has passed to the southward and the rivers are beginning to fall again.

All danger is not passed, however, as the crest of the flood is the rather swollen rivers are due to reach here today, and while the flood has diminished the burden of the last rush is sweeping down the Sacramento and Chico rivers, fed by the American and other streams, and no efforts are being spared to make the levees safe.